

Entrance Antiphon Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,
and I will ask the Father & he will send you another Paraclete,
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

ROSTERS - 11th/12th May 2024

Please arrange a swap if you are not available

Bemboka Sat 6pm

Commentator E Bevitt
Readers R Allen
Cleaners Green

Candelo Sat 6pm

Commentator Ann Haesy
Readers R Coman
Cleaners - May R Hopkins, H Miller

Tathra Sun 7:45am

Commentator Jacinta Battista
Readers Neil Walker
Cleaners Megan Hergenhan
Audio-Visual Trish Sly
Eucharistic Ministers E Corcoran, M Hergenhan

Bega Sun 9:30am

Commentator Mel Ferris
Readers M Scott, A Twyford
Gifts Volunteer
Counters Danni & Mary
Music Matt Heffernan
Acolyte David Grainger
Eucharistic Ministers D Koenigkamp,

Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation

Bega Saturday, 9.40 - 10am
Bemboka before vigil Mass
Candelo before vigil Mass
Tathra before Sunday Mass

St. Pat's Choir practices Thurs 5.15—
6pm Contacts Mary 0428 471 012 or
Matt 0429 338 348.

Meditation & Contemplative Prayer

Meeting is held on Monday at 7.30pm in the
annex of Star of the Sea Church at Tathra.

Sunday Readings Reflection Group

Tuesday at 7pm Star of the Sea Tathra.
All Welcome.

ROSARY - all are welcome.

Tathra - 7:20am before Sunday Mass
Bega - 9am before Sunday Mass

MENS' GROUP: 2nd & 4th Thursdays

St Patrick's Church.
Contact David Grainger: 0409 430 997

St Patrick's Sacramental Programme

Baptisms—During Mass, 1 month notice
Reconciliation—26th May 2024
First Communion - 25th August 2024
Weddings—by appoint, 6 months notice req.
Please contact the Parish Office.

For Sale: Sunday Missal - \$32; Children's
Mass Book - \$10. Contact the office or
place your order in a marked envelope in
the 2nd collection. **Bulletin & Forms** can
be found on the website

St Patrick's Parish is committed to safeguarding and upholding the rights and dignity of all our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families & carers, and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to and to be protected. This approach is at the centre of all our thinking and actions. Parishioners are encouraged to communicate concerns by emailing Fr Adrian, the Parish Office, the Parish Safeguarding Officer or directly to IPSS (ipss@cg.org.au)



6th Easter - Year B

5th May 2024

St. Patrick's Parish

St. Patrick's, Bega - St. Columba's, Bemboka - St. Joseph's Candelo
Star of the Sea, Tathra.

Fr. Adrian Chan. Parish Priest.

Mrs. Tanya Tomlinson, Parish Secretary.

Hrs 9-2 Tuesday & Thursday *Bulletin Deadline: Thurs 10:30am*

Safeguarding, Mrs. Emma Grant, Bega.Safeguarding@cg.org.au

St. Patrick's School, Bega. Mrs. Jo Scott-Pegum (Principal) 6492 5500

Lumen Christi Catholic College, Pambula. Mr. Shane Giles 6495 8888

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We acknowledge the Yuin People, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon & cared for this land for thousands of years. We pay our respect to Elders past, present & emerging. We acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contribution they make to the life of the Bega Valley.

Relationship of Love. SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

These verses continue the text from last Sunday and tease out the implications of the vine symbolism and what it means to abide or remain in Jesus. The underlying reasoning is simply this: everything arises out of the loving relationship between Jesus and the Father.



Throughout his life Jesus is responding to the Father's love and making it known.

As the disciples come to faith in Jesus they are being drawn into that loving relationship and they too can share the joy that enthuses Jesus and inspires him to reveal his Father to the world.

The one sure way of knowing that their faith is true is their love for one another. Just as Jesus was prepared to lay down his life for them, so too must

they be willing to live in humble service of one another.

The gospel and letters of John were probably written around 100 AD and were among the last parts of the New Testament to be penned. It is as though the prayer and reflection of the first generations of believers finally brought them to an understanding of what the whole Christian experience was all about and it could be summed up in three simple words: God is Love. This is neither pious sentimentality nor a bland cliché for, if it is taken seriously, nothing can ever be the same again. Peter and Cornelius both discovered that this is a love that makes changes and shatters old certainties. This is the love which proves that God will stop at nothing to convince a weak and wounded humanity of its immeasurable worth and dignity. The sad thing is that we often still choose to live in the darkness surrounded by our prejudice and fear. Or worse still, we imagine that being a follower of Jesus is about intellectual adherence to dogmas rather than a living out of a relationship of love.

Sean Goan

Parish Office. Due to presbytery building works the office is accessible via the kitchen door. Please follow the green signs and use the temporary doorbell. Thanks

Update on Essential Repairs to our Church buildings. Over the last fortnight, work has commenced on the renovations of the presbytery in Bega. Over the last fortnight, our builders, Bega Valley Construction, set up their site, building a perimeter fence around the Presbytery and erecting the scaffolding required to safely work on the roof and verandas. Father Adrian has relocated temporarily allowing stage one of the works, the removal of asbestos from the presbytery, to proceed from Monday 22 April. This work is being carried out by specialists in hazardous material removals and should take about one week, to be followed by the start of structural repairs to the veranda and roof.

Works on the presbytery should be completed by the end of July, however wet weather may impact our schedule. Work on St Patrick’s Church is scheduled to start in July, at the end of Term 2.

Year of the Holy Spirit - starting the 19th May, Fr Adrian will lead a monthly guided prayer sessions with the Holy Spirit. Time: 3rd Sundays, after 9:30am Mass Bega.

School Mass for Our Lady Help of Christians, Friday 24th May 9:15am. All Welcome.

Save the Date: Ordination to the Priesthood of Rev. Mark Ha. Thursday 17 October 2024 at 5.00pm at St Christopher’s Cathedral Forrest, Canberra

Marian Procession: 5th May, 2:30pm, Cobargo.

Wise Words:
 True peace does not come as a result of eliminating sorrows and disappointments. It comes as a result of one thing, and that is an intimate relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ. He is where anxiety ends and peace begins.
 - Charles F Stanley

You’re Invited
 ✠ Tathra - Breakfast every 2nd Sunday of the Month after Mass.
 ✠ Bega - Morning Tea last Sunday of the Month after Mass Bega.
All Welcome. Please bring a friend.

Fr Adrian Contact: Mobile: 0411 676 064
 Email: Adrian.Chan@cg.org.au

Sunday Mass Times
 ➤ Bemboka - Saturdays - 6pm Vigil
 ➤ Candelo - Saturdays - 6pm Vigil 1st, 3rd, 5th
 - Sundays - 9:30am liturgy 2nd, 4th
 ➤ Tathra - Sundays - 7.45am Mass
 ➤ Bega - Sundays - 9.30am Mass
 - 4th Sunday - 9:30am Family Mass

Weekdays
 ➤ Tuesday 5.00pm Bega Church
 ➤ Wednesday 9.00am Tathra.
 ➤ Thursday 9.15am Bega Church
 ➤ Hillgrove House 3rd Thursday 3pm
 ➤ Friday 9.15am Bega Church
 4:30-5:30pm Bega ‘Holy Hour of Mercy’
 ➤ Saturday 9.15am Bega Church

ANNIVERSARIES Paul Coman, John Platts, Ron Russell, Noel James, Denise Mulligan
PRAYERS Marina Peric, Leanne Russell

Feasts 10th - **St John de Avila**, priest, doctor 1499-1569. Reformer, preacher, author, spiritual director. Jewish born, he studied theology and theology. Ordained a priest in 1525, Remembered for his missionary work, spiritual letters and his reform of clerical life.

Minute Meditations - Awe and Wonder of Creation
 St. Francis’ response to the world around him was so much more than intellectual appreciation or economic calculus, for to him each and every creature was a sister united to him by bonds of affection. That is why he felt called to care for all that exists. His disciple Saint Bonaventure tells us that, “from a reflection on the primary source of all things, filled with even more abundant piety, he would call creatures, no matter how small, by the name of ‘brother’ or ‘sister.’”



Such a conviction cannot be written off as naive romanticism, for it affects the choices which determine our behavior. If we approach nature and the environment without this openness to awe and wonder, if we no longer speak the language of fraternity and beauty in our relationship with the world, our attitude will be that of masters, consumers, ruthless exploiters, unable to set limits on their immediate needs.
 —from St. Anthony Messenger’s “Pope Francis On Our Common Home” by Pope Francis.

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Good Shepherd Appeal – Collection for Formation of our Seminarians will take place next Sunday 12th May. It will take the form of a 3rd collection taken up after communion. For credit card donations please use the slip below and place into this 3rd collection.

Thank you for your generosity and a special thanks to those who have already given. Donations can also be made through on-line at bit.ly/goodshepherd2024

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